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TO AMEMBASSY ROME

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SUBJ: CIVAIR - 1970 MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING

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1. WE CONTINUE TO HOPE LANGUAGE DISCREPANCIES IN MOU CAN
BE RESOLVED VIA DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS.

2. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO SOUND OUT MFA ON POSSIBILITY
OF RESOLVING PROBLEM VIA MFA-EMBASSY EXCHANGES IN ROME.
IN MAKING PRESENTATION, EMBASSY SHOULD DRAW ON RECORD OF
1970 CONSULTATIONS IN ROME AS WELL AS RECORD OF 1973 TALKS
IN WASHINGTON. NOTE TO GOI (PARA 3 REF C) SHOULD STRESS
THAT: (1) CLEAR INTENT OF NEGOTIATORS IN 1970 WAS TO
PRESERVE ESSENCE OF BERMUDA CONCEPT WHILE AT SAME TIME TO
ACCOMMODATE GOI CONCERN THAT ALITALIA MIGHT IN FUTURE BE
SWAMPED BY ADDED CAPACITY MOUNTED BY US AIRLINES; (2) FINAL
POSITION ON THIS ITEM WAS DEVELOPED ON BASIS US WORKING
PAPERS IN ENGLISH, WITH FINAL AGREEMENT TRANSLATED INTO
ITALIAN QUITE LITERALLY AT 15 MINUTES TO MIDNIGHT AND;
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(3) INTERNAL CONSISTENCY OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEXT AS

CONTRASTED WITH INCONSISTENCY IN ITALIAN VERSION IMPLIES
THAT DISCREPANCY AROSE AS RESULT TRANSLATION ERROR RATHER
THAN CONCEPTUAL DIFFERENCE. ON BASIS FOREGOING EMBASSY

SHOULD ASK FOR GOI VIEW AS TO HOW TEXTUAL DISCREPANCIES
CAN BE RECONCILED. FYI: IF WE CAN EXTRACT REASONABLE
COUNTERPROPOSAL FROM GOI WE WILL AT LEAST HAVE INITIATED
CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE, IN LIEU OF CURRENT STANDOFF, AS
FIRST STEP TOWARD RESOLUTION OF BASIC ISSUE.

3. PAA/TWA/SWA SCHEDULES SHOULD BE AVAILABLE IN ROME THIS
WEEK FOR FILING PER PARA 2 REF C.

4. WE HAVE RECEIVED ALITALIA SCHEDULES POUCHED BY
EMBASSY ROME, BUT ASSUME THEY WERE NOT FORWARDED TO
EMBASSY OFFICIALLY BY MFA, AND PROBABLY PRE-DATED INTER-
AIRLINE CAPACITY AGREEMENT. PLEASE CONFIRM. (ITALIAN
EMBASSY HAS NOT RPT NOT FILED ALITALIA SCHEDULES WITH
DEPARTMENT.) KISSINGER

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